

REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

1. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Regarding claims 1 and 20-28, the closest prior art is Akatsu (JP H02-254013) which discloses a method for forming framing/sealing components to a window assembly. Akatsu discloses a procedure which forms a frame portion (2) and a stopper/holding portion (3, 4) onto a window plate by way of injection molding. **(See figure 6 and claims of Akatsu)**. Prior to injection molding the frame portion and the stopper/holding portion, adhesive is applied to predetermined sites. **(See claims and parts 6, 7 of figure 5)**. This adhesive is applied to each predetermined site independently. **(See claims)**. Akatsu teaches one having the ordinary skill in the art that the adhesive is applied on each independent site individually in order to minimize the chance that adhesive is placed on a connection portion (8) between the frame portion and the stopper/holding portion. **(See claims and part 8 of figure 1)**. In sum, Akatsu teaches the claimed invention except that the adhesive is applied to each predetermined site continuously as well as the specific application procedure claimed. However, Fisher (USP No. 5,544,458) teaches a similar injection molding method for applying framing/sealing structures onto a window assembly. Fisher teaches a similar method to Akatsu, on the fact that an adhesive is applied to the adhesion sites prior to injection molding. **(See column 14 line 38 to column 15 line 46 of Fisher)**. Fisher uses a continuous adhesive application procedure to apply the primer (adhesive) layer prior to the molding operation. However, Fisher only discloses that this application

procedure can be controlled by a robotic controlling device. Fisher fails to teach the specific adhesive applying procedure seen in claims 1 and 28.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

2. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Dan Tanner on April 21, 2010.

The application has been amended as follows:

Claim 11 has been canceled.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to AMJAD ABRAHAM whose telephone number is (571)270-7058. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM Eastern Time.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Phillip Tucker can be reached on (571) 272-1095. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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